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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
224 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex-Parte Presentation
CC Docket 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On June 7, 2005, Charlie Cooper, TELECOM Consulting Resources, Bob DeBroux, TDS Telecom, Wendy Fast, Consolidated Telephone Company, and Ken Pfister, Great Plains Communications met with Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service Staff members Peter Bluhm (VT) and Jeff Pursley (NE) on behalf of the Rural Alliance. The primary purpose of the meeting was to discuss issues related to intercarrier compensation, however during the course of the discussion the impacts of several intercarrier compensation proposals on the universal service fund, as well as the sustainability of the universal service in general, were discussed.

Sincerely,

Glenn H. Brown

Cc: Peter Bluhm
Jeff Pursley